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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A method and apparatus for controlling a pest by at least partially coating the pest with a particulate material that incorporates a killing or behavior-modifying agent. The method and apparatus involve drawing the pest sufficiently close to a bearing the particulate material, which is rendered airborne by movement of the pest in the region of the surface. The particulate material becomes electrostatically charged as a result of being rendered airborne, so as to be electrostatically attracted and attached to the pest.